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BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE

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MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE

DATE AND TIME: December 21, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: January 18, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Thomas A. Mercer, DDS, Professional Member, President

Dr. Brian McAllister, DMD, Professional Member, Secretary (arrived 3:05 p.m.)

Dr. Ryan Barnhart, DDS, Professional Member

Rozi Berberian, Public Member

June Ewing, Public Member

Dr. Bruce Matthews, DDS, Professional Member

Buffy Parker, RDH, Professional Hygiene Member

Carla Rawheiser, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member

Joseph Stormer, Public Member

Bonnie Thomas, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tammy Beebe, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member Dr. Erin Cox, DDS, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF

Meredith Hurley, Administrative Specialist II Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Mercer called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

PUBLIC RULES AND REGULATIONS HEARING

The public hearing was called to order at 3:10 p.m. Verbatim testimony was recorded electronically. Ms. Singh stated the purpose of the hearing. The Board introduced themselves for the record. The following items were marked as Board Exhibits for the record: Board Exhibit 1 – News Journal publication affidavit and Board Exhibit 2 – Delaware State News publication affidavit. The floor was opened for public comments. There were no public comments. The Board will deliberate on all public comments during the January 18, 2018 meeting. The Board went off the record at 3:06 p.m.

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REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - October 19, 2017

Dr. Matthews moved, seconded by Ms. Parker, to approve the October 19, 2017 meeting minutes as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Exam Calibration Minutes – December 15, 2017

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Dr. Matthews, to approve the December 15, 2017 exam calibration minutes as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Review and Consider Final Order on Hearing Officer Recommendations

Dr. Mercer signed the final order on the hearing officer recommendations for Linda S.J. Schafer (G2-0002201).

Discipline and Compliance

The Board reviewed the recent quarterly report submitted by Marieve Rodriguez pursuant to her Board order.

Complaint Updates

Complaint #09-06-17 was dismissed by the Division due to insufficient evidence.

Review and Consider Hearing Officer Recommendations

After review and deliberation, Mr. Stormer moved, seconded by Dr. Barnhart, to reject the Hearing Officer recommendations for Carol Lynch and instead be issued a letter of reprimand, submit proof of completing the required CEs within 60 days, and be flagged for audit in the next renewal. The motion carried with Dr. Matthews dissenting and Dr. Mercer recusing.

After review and deliberation, Dr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Dr. McAllister, to accept the Hearing Officer recommendations for Julia Hazuda. The motion carried with Ms. Berberian and Mr. Stormer dissenting.

Ratification of Dental Hygienist Applications

Dr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Ms. Parker, to ratify the dental hygienist licenses listed below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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Ratification of Restricted I Permits

Dr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Dr. McAllister, to ratify the restricted I permits listed below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Cathy Harris Jay Harris

Ratification of Unrestricted Permits

Dr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Ms. Parker, to ratify the unrestricted permits listed below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Nicholas Alcorn – Individual Rhae Anna Riegel - Individual

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Ms. Rawheiser, to deny the continuing education requested by Rose Mattei for "Volunteer Hours" as there is no study element involved. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (For discussion only)

The Board discussed the upcoming dental exam and the schedule for the public members to be there to help with checking the candidates in prior to the exam.

- Dr. Matthews informed the Board that he had an email advertisement from a day spa that offers teeth bleaching. Ms. Singh recommended proper protocol by filing a formal complaint with the Division if they think it is warranted.
- Dr. Matthews attended a demonstration on scanners being used to make impressions. He stated that the advertising claimed it was easy enough that an assistant can do it. He wasn't sure if this new technology should be considered in future regulation changes.
- Dr. Matthews brought up the recent article he saw in the paper involving a dentist that was issued an emergency temporary suspension. Ms. Singh walked the Board through the protocol in how this suspension was issued without appearing before the Board and how the licensee will have a hearing on the issue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Dr. McAllister, to adjourn the meeting at 4:19 p.m. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Meredith Hurley Administrative Specialist II